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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS WATER SYSTEM UPGRADES: VALVE INSTALLATION PROGRAM

PURSUANT TO SECTION 143-129 OF GENERAL STATUTES OF NORTH CAROLINA, SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE WITH

The Project is known as: Water System Upgrades: Valve Installation Program. This project includes but is not limited to furnishing labor, services, materials, tools, insurance, erosion/sediment control, and equipment, for the installation of, at minimum, thirty-six (36) valves distributed throughout the water distribution system located in Buncombe County, NC. The work for this Project includes, but is not limited to, the furnishing of labor, materials, tools, equipment, apparatus, supplies, etc for construction and incidentals for the following valve installations:

Installation of one (1) 4-inch gate valve, fifteen (15) 6-inch gate valves, three (3) 8-inch gate valves, two (2) 10-inch butterfly valves, nine (9) 12-inch butterfly valves, five (5) 16-inch butterfly valves, one (1) 24-inch butterfly valves along with all demolition, surface repair/replacement, and additional piping necessary for proper installation in accordance with these design documents and City of Asheville standard specifications and details. Contractor is also responsible for all subsurface utility investigations, traffic control, restorations, and shutdown/startup plans.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH SPECIFICATIONS, CONDITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS, BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE IN THE GILEWICZ CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE MEZZANINE FLOOR OF THE CITY HALL BUILDING, 70 COURT PLAZA, ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA UNTIL THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2007 AT 2:00 PM LOCAL TIME AT WHICH TIME THEY WILL BE PUBLICLY OPENED AND READ ALOUD.

ALL BIDDERS SHALL BE PROPERLY LICENSED BY THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE MINORITY BUSINESS (MB) PLAN ARE HEREBY MADE A PART OF THESE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. THESE REOUIREMENTS SHALL APPLY TO ALL CONTRACTORS REGARDLESS OF OWNERSHIP. THE GOALS FOR PARTICIPATION ARE OUTLINED IN THE CITY'S **MINORITY** BUSINESS PLAN WHICH CAN BEACCESSED WWW.ASHEVILLENC.GOV. ALONG WITH INFORMATION ON FINDING MINORITY BUSINESSES. THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE USES MINORITY BUSINESSES THROUGH OFFICE OF HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESSES. THE INFORMATION IS CONTAINED ON THE PAGE AS WELL. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT BRENDA MILLS, MINORITY BUSINESS PROGRAM COORDINATOR, AT THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, 29 HAYWOOD STREET, ASHEVILLE, NC 28801 (PHONE: 828-232-4566 OR EMAIL AT

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BGMILLS@ASHEVILLENC.GOV). IF THE SUCCESSFUL CONTRACTOR FAILS TO MAKE OR MAINTAIN GOOD FAITH EFFORTS TO MEET GOALS FOR MINORITY BUSINESS PARTICIPATION, THERE WILL BE A PENALTY OF 5% OF THE CONTRACT PRICE IMPOSED.

THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE'S DRUG FREE WORKPLACE ARE HEREBY MADE A PART OF THESE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. THESE REQUIREMENTS SHALL APPLY TO ALL CONTRACTORS REGARDLESS OF OWNERSHIP.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING BIDS AND COMPELTE SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES OR SERVICES DESIRED MAY BE OBTAINED BY CONTACTING THE OFFICE OF BROWN AND CALDWELL, LOCATED AT 309 EAST MOREHEAD STREET, SUITE 160, CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA 28202; CONTACT: DOROTHY MARTUCCI AT 704-358-7204. COPIES OF THESE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS MAY BE OBTAINED UPON PAYMENT OF \$75.00 FOR EACH SET. THERE WILL BE NO REFUND TO ANY PARTY FOR CONTRACT DOCUMENTS SO OBTAINED.

COMPLETE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS ARE OPEN FOR EXAMINATION DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS IN THE OFFICES OF THE ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS' OFFICE IN ASHEVILLE AND CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA AND IN GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA AND AT THE F. W. DODGE PLAN ROOM IN CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA AND GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA.

EACH PROPOSAL MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A BID BOND, CASH, CASHIERS CHECK OR A CERTIFIED CHECK IN AN AMOUNT NOT LESS THAN FIVE (5%) PERCENT OF THE AMOUNT OF THE BID IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS.

THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY, OR ALL PROPOSALS, OR TO ACCEPT THE BID, OR PART OF A BID CONSIDERED TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE.

CITY OF ASHEVILLE

DAVID HANKS, DIRECTOR DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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